

## CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. James Filippini Mr. Douglas Lamb Water Division Compliance Branch United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region V 77 West Jackson Boulevard (WC-15J) Chicago, Illinois 60604-3590

October 31, 2018 PJ/DW

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Subject:

Annual Dock Wall Observation

Consent Decree - Case No. 2:96-CV-96-RL-1

ArcelorMittal Burns Harbor LLC

Dear Messrs. Filippini and Lamb:

Attached is the summary report of the annual dock wall inspection for 2018. This document summarizes the results of the annual dock wall observation that was conducted on August 23, September 6 and 28, 2018, by Weaver Consultants Group, contractor to ArcelorMittal Burns Harbor (Burns Harbor), as required by Paragraph 21 of the subject decree.

During the annual observations, there were no discernible discharges of flowing water observed during the annual observations.

As result of the 2017 observation, Burns Harbor conducted a campaign to complete extensive repairs of the dockface. The repairs were executed early 2018. All of the discharges identified in the 2017 inspection were repaired. In addition areas of discharged identified in previous annual observations were inspected and reinforced to prevent future discharges.

If there are any questions concerning this matter, please contact T. E. Kirk or me at (219) 787-2712.

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I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted herein and that I have made a diligent inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information submitted herewith is true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Maciel, Manager

**Environmental Management Department** 

Attachment



October 30, 2018 Project No.: 2387-351-01-28

To:

Ms. Theresa Kirk, Senior Engineer ArcelorMittal Burns Harbor, LLC 250 West U.S. Highway 12 Burns Harbor, IN 46304-9745

Re:

2018 Visual Inspection and Sampling of Groundwater Discharges at Ore Dock Wall ArcelorMittal Burns Harbor, LLC

Dear Ms. Kirk:

Weaver Consultants Group, LLC (WCG) preformed the visual inspection and/or sampling of discernable groundwater discharges along the ore dock wall on August 23, September 6 and September 28, 2018. WCG made other attempts to inspect the dock wall between August and September, but due to safety hazards, weather conditions, or ship/barge schedules, the inspections were rescheduled.

For the August 23 inspection, one WCG worker entered the harbor in a one-man shore-launchable boat, while another WCG worker assisted by standing on top of the dock wall. The dock wall was visually inspected beginning at the harbor's south end and proceeding north. There were no discharges identified during this inspection. This inspection completed approximately 50% of the dock wall.

For the September 6 inspection, WCG workers followed the same procedure as above. The dock wall was visually inspected beginning at the harbor's south end and proceeding north. There were no discharges identified during this inspection. This inspection completed approximately 95% of the dock wall.

For the September 28 inspection, WCG workers inspected the remaining 60 feet for the presence of discernable flows. WCG concluded that there were no visual indications of discernable flows. This final inspection completed 100% of the dock wall.

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service on this project. If there are any questions or comments regarding this information, please call me at (574) 271-3447.

Sincerely,

Weaver Consultants Group, LLC

Edward B. Stefanek

Manager, Granger Environmental Operations